



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII

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President

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Honorable Tom Coburn, MD
Chairman, Subcommittee on
Federal Financial Management, Government
Information, and International Security
439 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Attn: Anna Shopen

Dear Senator Coburn:

Thank you for your letter dated July 27, 2006. The University of Hawaii's response to the questions posed in your letter follows:

1. We do not maintain a separate list of congressionally directed appropriations at the University of Hawaii'i. We do maintain a listing of all Federal contracts and grants received that includes congressionally directed appropriations and competitively awarded contracts and grants. However, we do not annotate whether the contract or grant received is a result of a congressionally directed appropriation or a successful application to a competitive solicitation.
2. Each appropriation is administered by a federal department or agency and shows up at the University as a contract or a grant. The cognizant federal agency establishes the objectives, goals, and/or deliverables for each contract or grant and is responsible to ensure that the University meets contract or grant requirements throughout its conduct of the work or effort as required by the contract or grant. The University must also comply with applicable FAR's or DFAR's.
3. The University performs pursuant to contract or grant requirements set by the cognizant federal department or agency administering congressional directed appropriation. The administering federal department or agency evaluates the University's work for a contract or grant and determines whether continuing or new work is required in the out years.

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4. None.
5. The University ended its engagement of a Washington, DC based lobbying firm at the end of 2005.
6. The University has derived significant benefit from congressionally directed appropriations, and especially, the recent increases in federal research funding for agencies such as the NSF, NIH, NOAA, NASA, DOD, DOL, DOE.

We thank Congress for its continued support of university research that yields great benefit to the economic well-being and physical security of our nation.

Sincerely,


David McClain

c: Honorable Daniel K. Inouye
Honorable Daniel K. Akaka